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INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 AID-20 OMB-01 SSO-00 USIE-00 DEAE-00

CIAE-00 INR-10 IO-14 JUSE-00 NSAE-00 RSC-01 SNM-02

SY-10 TRSE-00 NSC-10 SCI-06 DODE-00 PM-07 H-03 L-03

PA-04 PRS-01 SPC-03 SS-20 SAM-01 COME-00 EB-11 MC-02

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SUBJ: NARCOTICS CONTROL--BELL 206 HELICOPTERS

REF: A. STATE 20798 B. STATE 17048 C. HAMILTON-ZWEIFEL

TELCON JAN 31

1. AS EXPLAINED IN PARA 5, REF A AND PARA 4, REF B, POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT ORIGINAL PROSPECTIVE BUYER OR ANOTHER BUYER COULD PURCHASE THE FOUR BELL 206 AIRCRAFT BEFORE USG IS IN A POSITION TO MAKE A LEGALLY BINDING COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE FROM THE SELLER, I.E. ONCE FORMAL AGREEMENT WITH GOM REACHED, THEREBY OBLIGATING FUNDS. FOR THAT REASON, WE FELT IT ESSENTIAL TO CONDITION OUR COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE GOM WITH AIRCRAFT UPON THEIR AVAILABILITY ON A TIMELY BASIS.

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2. WE WERE ADVISED BY SELLER LATE JAN 31 THAT POSSIBILITY

THAT AIRCRAFT WILL BE SOLD IS MUCH STRONGER THAN WE HAD PREVIOUSLY UNDERSTOOD AND NECESSARILY HAD TO RESPOND TO SELLER'S QUERY THAT USG NOT YET IN A POSITION TO MAKE A LEGALLY BINDING COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE. THUS, AVAILABILITY OF THE AIRCRAFT IS IN JEOPARDY PENDING EXCHANGE OF LETTERS.

3. YOU SHOULD MAKE THE FOREGOING CLEAR TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OJEDA, STRESSING THAT EVEN IF EXCHANGE OF LETTERS IS QUICKLY EFFECTED, AIRCRAFT MIGHT NOT BE AVAILABLE AND THAT UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE HAVE NO PRESENT PROSPECTS OF BEING ABLE TO SUBSTITUTE AIRCRAFT FOR GRANT TO GOM IN

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TIME FOR USE IN 1974 SPRING CAMPAIGN (OUR SURVEY OF THE MARKET HAVING TURNED UP NO OTHER SUITABLE HELICOPTERS). WE NONETHELESS FEEL LETTERS SHOULD BE EXCHANGED TO ENABLE US TO MAKE A FIRM OFFER AND OF COURSE, THE SOONER THAT IS DONE, THE GREATER THE CHANCE THAT HELICOPTERS WILL STILL BE AVAILABLE TO US. KISSINGER

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